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DESENSITIZED TYPIC

AVLASH SOVIET IN CUBA.

1. AVLASH HAS NO HARD INFO RE NUMBERS OF SOVIETS IN CUBA. SOME ARE LEAVING BUT SOME ARE ALSO ARRIVING.

AVLASH NOT AWARE ANY SOVIET INFANTRY OR ARMORED COMBAT UNITS PRESENTLY CUBA. STATED ANY UNITS WHICH MAY HAVE FITTED THIS CATEGORY LEFT WITH IRBMS NOV AND DEC 62. HE CERTAIN ALL IRBM AND BOMBERS TAKEN OUT.

2. SOVIET PERSONNEL IN CUBA TO DAY CAN BE DIVIDED INTO TWO GENERAL CATEGORIES:

A. SOVIET MILITARY UNITS WHICH MAN SAM SITES, CRUISE MISSLES SITES, AND RADAR AND COMMO SITES, THESE UNITS ARE COMPOSED ENTIRELY OF SOVIET PERSONNEL *including cooks, drivers, service mechanics, security guards, etc.* MECHANICS, SECURITY GUARDS, ETC. THEY DO NOT FRATERNIZE WITH CUBANS AND LIVE IN OWN CAMPS AND AREAS.

B. HIGHER CALIBER TECHNICIANS AND OFFICERS WHO TRAIN CUBANS AND ACT AS ADVISORS DOWN TO AND INCLUDING DIVISION LEVEL IN REBEL ARMY.

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3. TRAINING: FIDEL CONTINUES UNHAPPY WITH SOVIET AND ACCORDING AMLASH WILL NEVER FORGET TREATMENT RECEIVED FROM SOVIETS FALL 62. FIDEL MUCH CLOSER TO CHINESE LINE BUT REALIZES HE CANNOT EXIST WITHOUT SOVIET AID. FIDEL INSISTING CUBANS BE TRAINED AND ASSUME CONTROL ALL SOVIET EQUIPMENT IN CUBA. BECAUSE FIDEL BECOMES ENRAGED OVER BEING CALLED ANYONE'S STOOGE AND FEELS SO STRONGLY AND PROUD OF INDEPENDENT POSITION HE HAS TAKEN (SUCH AS NOT AUTHORIZING GROUND INSPECTION AND NOT SIGNING PARTIAL TEST BAN TREATY) AMLASH OPINES FIDEL WILL INSIST SOVIETS LEAVE WHEN CUBANS TRAINED AND CAN HANDLE EQUIPMENT.

A. MIG 19 PILOTS TRAINED IN BOTH SOVIET UNION AND CHINA: SOME SUCH AS ^{Cuban} PRENDES AND ^{Chinese} VERONITA RECEIVED MIG 21 TRAINING EARLY IN CUBA AND MORE PILOTS PRESENTLY TRAINING CUBA. MIG 21'S CONTROLLED BY CUBANS, SOVIETS REMAIN AS ADVISORS.

B. KOMAR CONTROLLED AND MANNED BY CUBANS WITH SOVIET ADVISORS.

C. CUBANS BEING TRAINED HANDLE CRUISE MISSLES. AMLASH NOT CERTAIN BUT BELIEVES CRUISE MISSLES ALREADY UNDER CUBAN CONTROL.

D. CUBANS PRESENTLY ARE RECEIVING CLASSROOM INSTRUCTIONS SCHOOL IN PINAR DEL RIO TO HANDLE SAMS. SAMS STILL UNDER SOVIET CONTROL.

E. CUBANS ALSO RECEIVING COMMO AND RADAR TRAINING; FIDEL HAS TAKEN ENGINEERING STUDENTS OUT OF UNIV. OF HAVANA FOR TRAINING WHICH ACCORDING AMLASH IS INDICATIVE OF IMPORTANCE FIDEL ATTACHES TO TRAINING CUBANS AND ASSUMING CONTROL.

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4. CUBAN ARMY IS ORGANIZING AN ARMORED DIVISION.
MAJOR ALFREDO WILL COMMAND DIVISION, NEW TANKS WITH INFRARED FIRING DEVICES HAVE ARRIVED IN CUBA WITHIN PAST THREE TO FOUR MONTHS. AMLASH ASSUMES THESE TANKS ARE FOR THIS DIVISION.

5. TO BEST AMLASH KNOWLEDGE, NO SOVIET TROOPS HAVE OR ARE PARTICIPATING IN CUBAN ARMY ANTI INSURGENT OPERATIONS IN MOUNTAINS. REGULAR ARMY DIVISIONS ARE PERMANENTLY STATIONED AT CAMPS THROUGHOUT ISLAND. MILITIA DIVISIONS ARE ORGANIZED OR ACTIVATED AS NEEDS ARISE.

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C/S COMMENT:

COMPLETE PARAGRAPH 2A, LINES 3 AND 4 TO READ:

".... COMPOSED ENTIRELY OF SOVIET PERSONNEL INCLUDING COOKS, DRIVERS, MECHANICS,
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